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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, § 1.97, and § 1.98, Applicants herewith make of record Japanese Publication No. JPA2000-195533, published July 14, 2000, including English abstract, which may be material during the prosecution of the above-referenced patent application.

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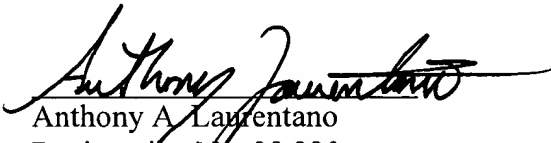
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